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1. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY GROUP LED BY KIM YONG TAE
ARRIVED KINSHASA JULY 4 AND DEPARTED JULY 6 WELL
SATISFIED WITH VISIT HERE. GROUP RECEIVED BY FONMIN UMBA
DI LUTETE, SENIOR OFFICERS OF NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
PRESENT IN ZAIRE, AND PRESIDENT MOBUTU. KIM AND HIS SPECIAL
ASSISTANT, S.W. OH, PLAN TO CALL AT STATE DEPARTMENT JULY 9
OR 10 TO DISCUSS RESULTS OF AFRICAN TOUR.

2. KOREAN QUESTION: UMBA TOLD KIM (AND MOBUTU CONFIRMED)
THAT ZAIRE'S POSITION REMAINS AS SET FORTH IN MOBUTU'S
OCTOBER 4 SPEECH TO UNGA, I.E., NONINTERFERENCE IN KOREAN
AFFAIRS AND SUPPORT FOR ADMISSION OF BOTH KOREAS. ROK MISSION
WAS SATISFIED WITH THIS.

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3. KOREAN AID: MOBUTU INFORMED KIM THAT HE HAS DECIDED NOT

TO ACCEPT AN OFFER FROM PYONGYANG OF MILITARY HARDWARE ON GENEROUS TERMS (10-YEAR GRACE PERIOD AND 25 YEARS TO PAY). HOWEVER, MOBUTU SUGGESTED IT WAS TIME FOR SEOUL TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING MORE SUBSTANTIAL THAN ITS PRESENT MODEST MEDICAL PROGRAM HERE. KIM AGREED AND PROMISED TO SEND STUDY TEAM TO ZAIRE IN NEAR FUTURE TO SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE IN ECONOMIC COOPERATION AREA.

4. VISITS: MOBUTU ACCEPTED INVITATION TO VISIT SOUTH KOREA, COMMENTING HE HAD DECLINED INVITATION TO PYONGYANG WHEN HE WAS IN PEKING LAST YEAR BECAUSE HE HAD WANTED TO VISIT SEOUL FIRST. HE TOLD KIM HE WAS BAISED IN FAVOR OF SOUTH KOREA BECAUSE OF LONG HISTORY OF FRIENDSHIP. KIM GROUP ALSO OBTAINED AGREEMENT THAT ZAIRIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION WILL VISIT SEOUL THIS FALL FOLLOWING IPU MEETING IN TOKYO.

5. ROK EMBASSY HERE IS PLEASED THAT KIM, WHO CLOSE TO PRESIDENT PARK, WENT AWAY CONVINCED THAT SEOUL MUST HENCEFORTH PAY CONSIDERABLY MORE ATTENTION TO ZAIRE THAN IN PAST, FOR BOTH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REASONS.
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